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MEMORANDUM FOR: Robert W. Gambino
Director of Security

STATINTL FROM : [REDACTED]
Chief, NFAC Coordination Staff

SUBJECT : CIA Representation at National Disclosure
Policy Committee (NDPC)

REFERENCE : Memo from Director of Security, dated
14 July 1978, Same Subject

1. We have received your interim response concerning our proposal to transfer the responsibility for providing the DCI Special Member, NDPC, from the Office of Security to the National Foreign Assessment Center. We look forward to your final decision on this matter within the time frame suggested in your memorandum.

2. We cannot entirely suspend consideration of our proposition, as you request, because the issue is continually being raised with us by those with whom we deal. The view is that the DCI's unique responsibilities as the President's intelligence adviser and national intelligence chief should be clearly reflected in the selection of his representative to the NDPC and, more importantly, in the DCI Special Member's contribution to the committee's deliberations. The objective is not to play down the significance of security, but to insure that the Director's other mandates are given full weight.

3. In view of the foregoing, we have no enthusiasm for introducing the Security Committee (SECOM) into consideration. SECOM is not directly involved in intelligence collection and production, nor is it a suitable substitute for CIA in a committee of line organizations.

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